

REMARKS

This complete Response is timely filed within two months of the mailing date of the pending Office Action. No fee is required. 37 CFR § 1.134-1.136. Claims 1-50 are pending in this application.

Claims 22-50 were objected to because the claims were not part of the original patent, and must be completely underlined. The listing of claims provided on pages 2-13 of this Response correctly underlines all of Claims 22-50. Applicant respectfully submits that this submission obviates the basis for the objections, and respectfully requests that the Examiner withdrawal the objections.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.178, Applicant submits herewith the original ribboned Letters Patent No. 6,000,374.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the pending Claims 1-50 of the present reissue application define subject matter patentable over the references cited by the Examiner and that the application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable to place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the below listed telephone number.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 03-2469. Moreover, if the deposit account

contains insufficient funds, the Commissioner is hereby invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative to arrange payment.

Respectfully Submitted,



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